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A BILL FOR

1 An Act creating an Iowa collaboration for youth development
2 council and state of Iowa youth advisory council in the
3 department of human rights.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 216A.132A IOWA COLLABORATION FOR
1 2 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL == STATE OF IOWA YOUTH ADVISORY
1 3 COUNCIL.
1 4 1. DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this section, unless
1 5 the context otherwise requires:
1 6 a. "Youth" means children and young persons who are ages
1 7 six through twenty-one years.
1 8 b. "Youth advisory council" means the state of Iowa youth
1 9 advisory council created by this section.
1 10 c. "Youth development council" means the Iowa
1 11 collaboration for youth development council created by this
1 12 section.
1 13 2. COLLABORATION COUNCIL CREATED. An Iowa collaboration
1 14 for youth development council is created as an alliance of
1 15 state agencies that address the needs of youth in Iowa.
1 16 3. PURPOSE. The purpose of the youth development council
1 17 is to improve the lives and futures of Iowa's youth by doing
1 18 all of the following:
1 19 a. Adopting and applying positive youth development
1 20 principles and practices at the state and local levels.
1 21 b. Increasing the quality, efficiency, and effectiveness
1 22 of opportunities and services and other supports for youth.
1 23 c. Improving and coordinating state youth policy and
1 24 programs across state agencies.
1 25 4. VISION STATEMENT. All youth development activities
1 26 addressed by the youth development council shall be aligned
1 27 around the following vision statement: "All Iowa youth will
1 28 be safe, healthy, successful, and prepared for adulthood."
1 29 5. MEMBERSHIP. The youth development council membership
1 30 shall be determined by the council itself and shall include
1 31 the directors or chief administrators, or their designees,
1 32 from the following state agencies and programs:
1 33 a. Child advocacy board.
1 34 b. Iowa commission on volunteer service in the office of
1 35 the governor.
2 1 c. Department of education.
2 2 d. Department of human rights, including the commission on
2 3 the status of women and the division of criminal and juvenile
2 4 justice planning.
2 5 e. Department of human services.
2 6 f. Department of public health.
2 7 g. Department of workforce development.
2 8 h. Governor's office of drug control policy.
2 9 i. Iowa cooperative extension in agriculture and home
2 10 economics.
2 11 j. Office of community empowerment in the department of
2 12 management.
2 13 6. PROCEDURE. Except as otherwise provided by law, the
2 14 youth development council shall determine its own rules of
2 15 procedure and operating policies, including but not limited to
2 16 terms of members. The youth development council may form

2 17 committees or subgroups as necessary to achieve its purpose.
2 18 The department director, or the director's designee, shall be
2 19 the chairperson of the youth development council.
2 20 7. DUTIES. The youth development council's duties shall
2 21 include but are not limited to all of the following:
2 22 a. Study, explore, and plan for the best approach to
2 23 structure and formalize the functions and activities of the
2 24 youth development council to meet its purpose, and make formal
2 25 recommendations for improvement to the governor and general
2 26 assembly.
2 27 b. Review indicator data and identify barriers to youth
2 28 success and develop strategies to address the barriers.
2 29 c. Coordinate across agencies the state policy priorities
2 30 for youth.
2 31 d. Strengthen partnerships with the nonprofit and private
2 32 sectors to gather input, build consensus, and maximize use of
2 33 existing resources and leverage new resources to improve the
2 34 lives of youth and their families.
2 35 e. Oversee the activities of the youth advisory council.
3 1 f. Seek input from and engage the youth advisory council
3 2 in the development of more effective policies, practices, and
3 3 programs to improve the lives and futures of youth.
3 4 g. Report annually by February 1 to the governor and
3 5 general assembly.
3 6 8. STATE OF IOWA YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL. A state of Iowa
3 7 youth advisory council is created to provide input to the
3 8 governor, general assembly, and state and local policymakers
3 9 on youth issues.
3 10 a. The purpose of the youth advisory council is to foster
3 11 communication among a group of engaged youth and the governor,
3 12 general assembly, and state and local policymakers regarding
3 13 programs, policies, and practices affecting youth and
3 14 families; and to advocate for youth on important issues
3 15 affecting youth.
3 16 b. The youth advisory council shall consist of no more
3 17 than twenty-one youth ages fourteen through twenty years who
3 18 reside in Iowa. Membership shall be for two-year staggered
3 19 terms. The department director, or the director's designee,
3 20 shall select council members using an application process.
3 21 The department director or the director's designee shall
3 22 strive to maintain a diverse council membership and shall take
3 23 into consideration race, ethnicity, disabilities, gender, and
3 24 geographic location of residence of the applicants.
3 25 c. Except as otherwise provided by law, the youth advisory
3 26 council shall determine its own rules of procedure and
3 27 operating policies, subject to approval by the department
3 28 director or the director's designee.
3 29 d. The youth advisory council shall meet at least
3 30 quarterly.
3 31 9. LEAD AGENCY. The lead agency for support of the Iowa
3 32 collaboration for youth development council and the state of
3 33 Iowa youth advisory council is the department. The department
3 34 shall coordinate activities and, with funding made available
3 35 to it for such purposes, provide staff support for the youth
4 1 development council and the youth advisory council.

4 2 EXPLANATION

4 3 This bill creates an Iowa collaboration for youth
4 4 development council and state of Iowa youth advisory council
4 5 in the department of human rights.
4 6 The creation of the councils is codified in Code chapter
4 7 216A, pertaining to the division of criminal and juvenile
4 8 justice planning.
4 9 The term "youth" is defined to mean children and young
4 10 persons who are ages six through 21 years.
4 11 For the Iowa collaboration for youth development council,
4 12 the bill specifies a purpose, vision statement, membership and
4 13 procedural authority, and duties. The membership is to be
4 14 determined by the council itself but is required to include
4 15 staff from various state agencies. The council is authorized
4 16 to determine its own rules of procedure and operating
4 17 policies, including but not limited to terms of members. The
4 18 director of the department of human rights or the director's
4 19 designee is required to be the council chairperson. The
4 20 duties of the council include various coordination and
4 21 analysis functions and include a required annual report to the
4 22 governor and general assembly.
4 23 The bill also creates a state of Iowa youth advisory
4 24 council to provide input to the governor, general assembly,
4 25 and other policymakers regarding youth issues. The membership
4 26 of not more than 21 persons is to be appointed by the director
4 27 of the department of human rights or the director's designee.

4 28 The membership is limited to youth who are age 14 through 20
4 29 years. Except as otherwise provided by law, the youth
4 30 advisory council is authorized to determine its own rules of
4 31 procedure and operating policies, subject to approval by the
4 32 department director or the director's designee.
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